process, pleadings, or orders have been served on Sallie Mae.

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2. Plaintiff's Complaint alleges a cause of action that arises under and depends on the construction of federal law. Specifically, paragraphs 41(e) through (n) of the Complaint allege that defendant violated California Civil Code Section 1788.17, captioned "Compliance with Federal Law," by failing to comply with the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 1692(b), et seq.

- 3. As Exhibit A demonstrates, the First Cause of Action alleged in plaintiff's Complaint is a claim within the original federal question jurisdiction of the federal district courts under 28 U.S.C. Section 1331.
- 4. Because of the presence of a separate and independent claim cognizable under 28 U.S.C. Section 1331, the entire case is removable as provided in 28 U.S.C. Section 1441(c).
  - 5. Plaintiff has not named or served any defendant other than Sallie Mae.
- 6. Notice of this removal is being filed with the Superior Court of California, County of Contra Costa.
- 7. Removal to this district court is proper under 28 U.S.C. Section 1441(a) because the Superior Court of California, Contra Costa Division, is geographically located within this court's district.
- 8. Removal is timely under 28 U.S.C. Section 1446(b) because this Notice of Removal is filed within thirty days of service of process upon Sallie Mae of a complaint stating a claim within this Court's jurisdiction.

Dated: July 11, 2008.

LAW OFFICES OF MIRIAM HISER

By:

Miriam Hiser

Attorney for Defendant SALLIE MAE, INC.

## SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):

The name and address of the court is:

SALLIE MAE, INC. a corporation; and DOES 1 through 10 inclusive

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): THERESA JOYCE, an individual



You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you, Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law tibrary, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an

attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association.

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen este citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una liamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/espanol/), en la biblioteca de layes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respueste a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Servicos, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/espanol/) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales.

(El nombre y dirección de la corte es):	CASE NUMBERA (Número del Clos):
Superior Court of California, County of Contra Costa-Martinez	
725 Court St.	
Martinez, CA 94553	

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Jeremy S. Golden (SBN 228007), Law Offices of Eric F. Fagan, 2300 Boswell Rd. Suite 211, Chula Vista, CA 91914, Phone; 619-656-6656 Fax: 775-898-5471

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	CCP 416.40 (association or partnership) CCP 416.90 (authorized person)
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COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

- Plaintiff THERESA JOYCE is a natural person residing in Contra Costa County,
   California.
- 3. Defendant SALLIE MAE is a corporation doing business of collecting Debts in California, operating from an address at 12061 Vluemont Way; Reston, VA 20190.
- 4. Defendants are regularly engaged in the collection of Debts from consumers using the mail and telephone; defendants are "debt collectors" as defined by the Rosenthal Act, California Civil Code 1788.2(c).
- 5. Defendants are all entities or individuals who contributed to or participated in, or authorized the acts or conspired with the named Defendants to commit the acts and do the things complained of which caused the injuries and damages to Plaintiff as set forth below. Each of the parties, named and fictitious (i.e. DOES), acted as principal and agent, each of the other, and combined and concurred each with the other in committing the acts that injured the Plaintiff. When the true names of the DOE Defendants are ascertained they will be substituted in.
- 6. Plaintiff is a "debtor" as defined by the Rosenthal Act, California Civil Code 1788.2(h).
- 7. The purported Debt which Defendants attempted to collect from Plaintiff was a "consumer debt" as defined by the Rosenthal Act, California Civil Code §1788.2(f).

# III. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 8. In 2003 Plaintiff applied for and was accepted to attend the California Culinary Academy ("CCA") for a fifteen-month program to obtain a degree in bachelor degree in culinary arts.
- 9. The tuition at CCA was about \$40,000; and CCA steered Plaintiff into taking out a series of student loans, most of which originated from SALLIE MAE, for about \$41,225 (the "DEBT") to cover the cost.
  - 10. CCA falsely represented that the DEBT would be reasonable and manageable

1 that Plaintiff would earn enough money as a result of her degree to pay back the DEBT.

- 11. CCA falsely represented to Plaintiff that by obtaining the degree her income and opportunity in the food service business would increase.
- 12. CCA falsely represented that it had an extensive network of contacts and close relationships with prestigious employers and that its job placement rate was about 99%.
  - 13. CCA falsely represented to Plaintiff that it had a selective admissions process.
  - 14. In 2004, Plaintiff graduated and entered the workforce.
- 15. Plaintiff had a difficult time finding a job after her graduation because of CCA's poor reputation.
- 16. In fact, Plaintiff's salary decreased by nearly 50% from what it was before she enrolled.
- 17. Because of the drop in Plaintiff's income, it became impossible for Plaintiff to make payments in the amount SALLIE MAE demanded.
  - 18. Plaintiff paid to the best of her ability and entered into forbearance agreements in possible.
- 19. Within the last year, SALLIE MAE called with such frequency and persistence as to constitute harassment.
- 20. It is estimated that within the last year SALLIE MAE called in excess of one hundred times.
- 21. Within the last year SALLIE MAE also sent a number of collection letters to Plaintiff.
- 22. On more than one occasion, SALLIE MAE called Plaintiff more than once in a single day.
  - 23. On certain days SALLIE MAE called Plaintiff approximately seven times.
- 24. On certain days SALLIE MAE called Plaintiff in intervals of approximately five minutes.
- 25. On more than one occasion, Plaintiff and/or her husband informed SALLIE MAE that they wished the calls to stop; SALLIE MAE responded that would not be possible.

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- 26. On one occasion Plaintiff requested that SALLIE MAE stop calling; SALLIE MAE ignored Plaintiff's request and called her back approximately three minutes later.
  - 27. SALLIE MAE placed a phone call to Plaintiff's mother.
- 28. On a Sunday, while Plaintiff and her husband were hosting a dinner party, SALLIE MAE called an estimated twenty times.
- 29. A number of the calls placed by SALLIE MAE appeared as "MCC" on Plaintiff's caller ID and mislead Plaintiff as to the caller's identity.
  - 30. MCC refers to Muncie Call Center and is an office of SALLIE MAE.
- 31. On or about April 25, 2008, Plaintiff sent a letter to SALLIE MAE, certified return receipt mail, informing them she did not wish to discuss the loans with them, and that SALLIE MAE should contact her attorney.
  - 32. On April 28, 2008, SALLIE MAE signed for receipt of the letter.
- 33. After SALLIE MAE received notice of Plaintiff's cease-communication request they continued to call her.
- 34. After SALLIE MAE received notice that Plaintiff was represented by an attorney and the attorney's contact information, they continued to call Plaintiff.
- 35. On May 12, 2008, SALLIE MAE emailed Plaintiff and demanded that she immediately contact SALLIE MAE.
- 36. On or about May 13, 2008, Plaintiff's attorney mailed and faxed a letter to SALLIE MAE informing them that he represented Plaintiff and requesting SALLIE MAE to cease-communication with Plaintiff.
- 37. After SALLIE MAE received the May 13, 2008, letter they continued to contact Plaintiff directly.
- 38. As a result of the acts alleged above, Plaintiff has suffered fear, worry, unhappiness, loss of sleep, insomnia, nightmares, cry jags, loss of interest in work, marital discord, loss of concentration, humiliation, and depression. Plaintiff has also been forced to take the phone off the hook and her children were frightened.
  - 39. The acts complained of above are part of a pattern and practice of harassment by

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Defendants.

#### IV. FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Against all Defendants for Violation of the Rosenthal Act)

- Plaintiff repeats, realleges, and incorporates by reference all of the foregoing 40. paragraphs.
- Defendants violated the Rosenthal Act, by including but not limited to, the 41. following:
  - The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.11(b) by (a) placing telephone calls without disclosure of the caller's identity;
  - The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.11(d) by (b) causing a telephone to ring repeatedly or continuously to annoy the person called;
  - The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.11(e) by (c) communicating with the Plaintiff with such frequency as to be unreasonable and to constitute an harassment to the Plaintiff under the circumstances:
  - (d) The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.12(b) by communicating information regarding a consumer debt to a member of the Plaintiff's family;
  - The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.17 by failing to (e) comply with 15 U.S.C. § 1692b(1) by contacting a person other than the Plaintiff and failing to identify him/herself, and/or failing to state that he/she is confirming or correcting location information concerning the Plaintiff:
  - The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.17 by failing to (f) comply with 15 U.S.C. § 1692b(2) by communicating with persons other than the Plaintiff and stating that the Plaintiff owes debt;

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- (g) The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.17 by failing to comply with 15 U.S.C. § 1692b(6) by communicating with a person other than the Plaintiff's attorney after the debt collector knew the Plaintiff was represented by an attorney.
- (h) The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.17 by failing to comply with 15 U.S.C. § 1692c(a)(2) by communicating with the Plaintiff after the Defendant knew that the Plaintiff was represented by an attorney;
- (i) The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.17 by failing to comply with 15 U.S.C. § 1692c(b) by communicating with a third person in connection with the collection of a debt;
- (j) The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.17 by failing to comply with 15 U.S.C. § 1692c(c) by communicating with the Plaintiff after she notified them in writing to cease communication;
- (k) The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.17 by failing to comply with 15 U.S.C. § 1692d by engaging in conduct the natural consequence of which is to harass, oppress, or abuse Plaintiff in connection with the collection of the alleged debt;
- (1)The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.17 by failing to comply with 15 U.S.C. § 1692d(5) by causing the phone to ring or engaging a person in telephone conversations repeatedly with the intent to harass, oppress, and abuse the Plaintiff in connection with the collection of the Debt;
- The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.17 by failing to (m) comply with 15 U.S.C. § 1692d(6) by placing telephone calls without disclosing his/her identity;
- The Defendants violated California Civil Code §1788.17 by failing to (n) comply with 15 U.S.C. § 1692(f) by using unfair or unconscionable means to collect or attempt to collect a debt;

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- 42. Defendants' acts as described above were done intentionally with the purpose of coercing Plaintiff to pay the Debt.
- As a proximate result of Defendants' violations enumerated above, Plaintiff has 43. been damaged in amounts which are subject to proof.
- Defendants' violations of the Rosenthal Act were willful and knowing. 44 Defendants are therefore liable to Plaintiff for a declaratory judgment that Defendants' conduct violated the Rosenthal Act and Plaintiff's actual damages, statutory damages, and attorney's fees and costs pursuant to California Civil Code §1788.30.

#### $\mathbb{V}$ . SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(Against all Defendants for Invasion of Privacy:

**Intrusion Into Private Affairs And Public Disclosure of Private Facts)** 

- 45. Plaintiff repeats, realleges, and incorporates by reference all of the foregoing paragraphs.
- 46. Plaintiff had a reasonable expectation of privacy in her solitude, seclusion, and private concerns and affairs.
- Defendants willfully and intentionally intruded into Plaintiff's solitude, 47. seclusion and private affairs by repeatedly and unlawfully attempting to collect a Debt.
- Defendants willfully and intentionally intruded into Plaintiff's solitude, 48. seclusion and private affairs by publicly disclosing private facts regarding Plaintiff and her cellular telephone records.
- Defendants' intrusions would be highly offensive to a reasonable person and did 49. in fact offend Plaintiff.
- As a result of such invasions of privacy, Plaintiff was harmed and caused great 50. mental and physical pain.
- Defendants acted with oppression, fraud or malice, and Defendants are therefore liable to Plaintiff for damages in an amount to be proven at trial, and for punitive damages.

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WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that judgment be entered against Defendants and each of them for the following:

- A. Declaratory judgment that Defendants' conduct violated the Rosenthal Act;
- B. Actual damages;
- C. Statutory damages pursuant to California Civil Code §1788.30(a);
- D. Costs and reasonable attorney's fees pursuant to California Civil Code §1788.30(b) and §1788.30(c);
- E. For punitive damages;
- F. For an injunction prohibiting SALLIE MAE from calling Plaintiff;
- G. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Date: >/24/08

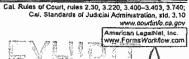
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2300 Boswell Rd. Suite 211		
Chula Vista, CA 91914  TELEPHONE NO.: 619-656-6656	FAX NO.: 775-898-5471	
ATTORNEY FOR (Name): Plaintiff	FAX NO.: 775-876-5-471	1777
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Damage/Wrongful Death) Tort	Insurance coverage (18)	Mass tort (40)
Asbestos (04)	Other contract (37)	Securities litigation (28)
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Fraud (16)	Residential (32)	RICO (27)
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Professional negligence (25)	Judicial Review	Miscellaneous Civil Petition
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CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET



SUPERIOR COURT - MARTINEZ COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA MARTINEZ, CA, 94553

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NOTICE OF CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

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1. NOTICE: THE CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR:

DATE: 10/20/08

DEPT: 16

TIME:

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THIS FORM, A COPY OF THE NOTICE TO PLAINTIFFS, THE ADR INFORMATION SHEET, A BLANK CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE, AND A BLANK STIPULATION FORM ARE TO BE SERVED ON OPPOSING PARTIES. ALL PARTIES SERVED WITH SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT/CROSS-COMPLAINT OR THEIR ATTORNEY OF RECORD MUST APPEAR.

- You may stipulate to an earlier Case Management Conference. all parties agree to an early Case Management Conference, please contact the Court Clerk's Office at (925)957-5794 for Unlimited Civil cases and (925)957-5791 for Limited Civil cases for assignment of an earlier date.
- 3. You must be familiar with the case and be fully prepared to participate effectively in the Case Management Conference and to discuss the suitability of this case for the EASE Program, private mediation, binding or non-binding arbitration, and/or use of a Special Master.
- At any Case Management Conference the court may make pretrial orders including the following:
  - an order establishing a discovery schedule

  - b. an order referring the case to arbitration
    c. an order transferring the case to limited jurisdiction
    d. an order dismissing fictitious defendants
    e. an order scheduling exchange of expert witness information
  - an order setting subsequent conference and the trial date
  - an order consolidating cases
  - an order severing trial of cross-complaints or bifurcating issues
  - an order determining when demurrers and motions will be filed

#### SANCTIONS

If you do not file the Case Management Conference Questionnaire or attend the Case Management Conference or participate effectively in the Conference, the court may impose sanctions (including dismissal of the case and payment of money).

Clerk of the Superior Court of Contra Costa County I declare under penalty of perjury that I am not a party to this action, and that I delivered or mailed a copy of this notice to the person representing the plaintiff/cross-complainant.

Dated: 06/05/08

Worm D. WAGNER, Deputy Clerk



### Superior Court of California, County of Contra Costa

#### NOTICE TO PLAINTIFFS

In <u>Unlimited Jurisdiction</u> Civil Actions

#### AFTER YOU FILE YOUR COURT CASE:

- 1. Have the forms the clerk gives you served on all defendants in this case:
  - a. The Complaint
  - b. The Summons
  - c. The Notice of Case Management Conference (shows hearing date and time)
  - d. The Notice to Defendants (Local Court Form CV-655d)
  - e. Blank: Case Management Statement (Judicial Council Form CM-110)
  - f. <u>Blank</u>: Stipulation and Order to Attend ADR and Delay First Case Management Conference 90 Days (Local Court Form CV-655b)
  - g. Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Information (Local Court Form CV-655c)
- 2. Within 60 days of the date you filed the complaint you must prove that the forms have been served on (delivered to) the defendants correctly by filing the <u>Proof of Service</u> form (POS-010) (completed by the person who did the service) with the court.
- 3. Go to the case management conference on the date indicated on <u>The Notice of Case</u> Management Conference.
- 4. Consider using mediation, arbitration, or neutral case evaluation (ADR) to resolve the dispute. All parties must answer questions about ADR on the Case Management Statement form. For more information, see the enclosed ADR information, visit <a href="https://www.cc-courts.org/adr">www.cc-courts.org/adr</a>, or call (925) 957-5787.
- 5. You may delay the first case management conference while you try to resolve the dispute in ADR. If all parties agree to use ADR, complete and file the <u>Stipulation and Order to Attend ADR and Continue First Case Management Conference 90 Days</u> form to tell the court you want to use this option.

All civil actions (except juvenile, probate, family, unlawful detainer, extraordinary writ, and asset forfeiture<sup>1</sup>) and personal injury cases where a party is claiming damages<sup>2</sup> must meet the Civil Trial Delay Reduction time limits for filing documents and moving their cases forward. These time limits are listed in California Rule of Court 3.110 and Local Court Rule 5. If parties miss these deadlines, a judge might issue an order (*Order to Show Cause*) for them to explain in court why they should not have to pay a fine or have their case dismissed.

VIEW LOCAL COURT RULES AT: (WWW.CC-COURTS.ORG/RULES)

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<sup>&#</sup>x27; Health and Safety Code §11470 et seq.

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### Superior Court of California, County of Contra Costa

#### NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS

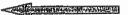
In <u>Unlimited Jurisdiction</u> Civil Actions

#### YOU ARE BEING SUED. The packet you have been served should contain:

- The Summons
- The Complaint b.
- The Notice of Case Management (shows hearing date and time) C.
- Blank: Case Management Statement (Judicial Council Form CM-110) d.
- Blank: Stipulation and Order to Attend ADR and Delay First Case Management Conference Θ. 90 Days (Local Court Form CV-655b)
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Information (Local Court Form CV-655c) f.



#### WHAT DO I DO NOW?



#### You must:

- 1. Prepare your response YOU COULD LOSE YOUR CASE—even before it is heard by a judge or before you can defend yourself, if you do not prepare and file a response on time. See the other side of this page for types of responses you can prepare.
- 2. Complete the Case Management Statement (CM-110)
- 3. File and serve your court papers on time Once your court forms are complete, you must file 1 original and 2 copies of the forms at court. An adult who is NOT involved in your case must serve one set of forms on the Plaintiff. If you were served in person you must file your response in 30 days. If the server left a copy of the papers with an adult living at your home or an adult in charge at your work or you received a copy by mail you must file your response in 40 days.
- 4. Prove you served your court papers on time by having your server complete a Proof of Service, (Judicial Council form POS-040), that must be filed at the court within 60 days.
- 5. Go to court on the date and time given in the Notice of Case Management Conference.
- 6. Consider trying to settle your case before trial If you and the other party to the case can agree to use mediation, arbitration or neutral case evaluation, the Stipulation and Order to Attend ADR and Delay First Case Management Conference 90 Days can be filed with your other papers. For more information read the enclosed ADR information, visit www.cc-courts.org/adr, or call (925) 957-5787.

IMPORTANT! The court recommends consulting an attorney for all or part of your case. While you may represent yourself, lawsuits can be complicated, and the court cannot give you legal advice.

COURT FEES: You must pay court fees the first time you file your papers. If you also file a motion, you must pay another fee. If you cannot afford the fees, you may ask the court to waive (allow you not to pay) fees. Use Judicial Council forms FW-001-INFO [information sheet]; FW-001 [application]; and FW-003 [order].

COURT FORMS: Buy forms at the Forms Window in the Family Law Building or download them for free at: www.courtinfo.ca.gov/forms/



# SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA

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ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address);	FOR COURT USE ONLY	
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TELEPHONE NO.: FAX NO. (Optional):		
E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional):		
ATTORNEY FOR (Name):		
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF		
STREET ADDRESS:		
MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE:		
BRANCH NAME:		
PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER:		
DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT:		
CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT	CASE NUMBER:	
(Check one): UNLIMITED CASE LIMITED CASE		
(Amount demanded (Amount demanded is \$25,000 exceeds \$25,000) or less)		
A CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE is scheduled as follows:	Approximation of the second contract of the s	
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INSTRUCTIONS: All applicable boxes must be checked, and the specified	f information must be provided.	
1. Party or parties (answer one):	·	
a. This statement is submitted by party (name):		
b. This statement is submitted jointly by parties (names):		
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<ol> <li>Complaint and cross-complaint (to be answered by plaintiffs and cross-complainan         <ul> <li>The complaint was filed on (date):</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	ts only)	
a. The complaint was filed on (date):     b The cross-complaint, if any, was filed on (date):	•	
b The cross-complaint, it any, was ned on (oate):		
3. Service (to be answered by plaintiffs and cross-complainants only)		
a. All parties named in the complaint and cross-complaint have been served,	or have appeared, or have been dismissed.	
b. The following parties named in the complaint or cross-complaint		
(1) have not been served (specify names and explain why not):		
(2) have been served but have not appeared and have not been	dismissed (specify names):	
(3) have had a default entered against them (specify names):		
c. The following additional parties may be added (specify names, nature of it they may be served):	nvolvement in case, and the date by which	
4. Description of case a. Type of case in complaint cross-complaint (describe, in	ncluding causes of action):	
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c. Dates on which	ch parties or attorneys will no	ot be available for trial (spe	ocify dates and explain reas	ons for unavailability):
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The party or partie a. Attorney: b. Firm: c. Address: d. Telephone not e. Fax number: f. E-mail addres g. Party represe	38:	by the attorney o	r party listed in the caption	by the following:
9. Preference This case is	s entitled to preference (spec	cify code section):		
a. Counsel C reviewed AD b All part	ute Resolution (ADR) has has not R options with the client. here some to a form of se has gone to an ADR proc	f ADR. ADR will be comple	, -	le 3.221 to the client and has
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DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT:	
O. d. The party or parties are willing to participate in (check all that apply):  (1)	
e. This matter is subject to mandatory judicial arbitration because the amount in c. Plaintiff elects to refer this case to judicial arbitration and agrees to limit recover Procedure section 1141.11.  g. This case is exempt from judicial arbitration under rule 3.811 of the California F.	ry to the amount specified in Code of Civil
Settlement conference     The party or parties are willing to participate in an early settlement conference (spe	eclfy when):
a. Insurance a. Insurance carrier, If any, for party filing this statement (name): b. Reservation of rights: Yes No c. Coverage issues will significantly affect resolution of this case (explain):	
Jurisdiction     Indicate any matters that may affect the court's jurisdiction or processing of this case, an Bankruptcy	d describe the status.
14. Related cases, consolidation, and coordination a. There are companion, underlying, or related cases.  (1) Name of case: (2) Name of court: (3) Case number: (4) Status: Additional cases are described in Attachment 14a. b. A motion to consolidate coordinate will be filed by (name of coordinate).	name party):
15. Bifurcation The party or parties intend to file a motion for an order bifurcating, severing, or cod action (specify moving party, type of motion, and reasons):	ordinating the following issues or causes of
16. Other motions  The party or parties expect to file the following motions before trial (specify moving	g party, type of motion, and issues):
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<ul> <li>17. Discovery</li> <li>a The party or parties have completed all discovery.</li> <li>b The following discovery will be completed by the date specified (described).</li> </ul>	be all anticipated discovery);
Party Description	Date
<ul> <li>The following discovery issues are anticipated (specify):</li> </ul>	
<ol> <li>Economic Litigation</li> <li>a This is a limited civil case (i.e., the amount demanded is \$25,000 or less of Civil Procedure sections 90 through 98 will apply to this case.</li> </ol>	ss) and the economic litigation procedures in Code
<ul> <li>This is a limited civil case and a motion to withdraw the case from the discovery will be filed (if checked, explain specifically why economic little should not apply to this case).</li> </ul>	economic litigation procedures or for additional igation procedures relating to discovery or trial
19. Other issues	
The party or parties request that the following additional matters be considerence (specify):	lered or determined at the case management
20. Meet and confer a. The party or parties have met and conferred with all parties on all subject of Court (if not, explain):	ects required by rule 3.724 of the California Rules
b. After meeting and conferring as required by rule 3.724 of the California Rule (specify):	es of Court, the parties agree on the following
21. Case management orders  Previous case management orders in this case are (check one):  none	attached as Attachment 21.
22. Total number of pages attached (if any):	
I am completely familiar with this case and will be fully prepared to discuss the status raised by this statement, and will possess the authority to enter into stipulations on to conference, including the written authority of the party where required.	s of discovery and ADR, as well as other issues hese issues at the time of the case management
Date:	
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(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)	(SIGNATURE OF PARTY OR ATTORNEY)
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)	(SIGNATURE OF PARTY OR ATYORNEY)  Iltional signatures are attached
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# CONTRA COSTA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR) INFORMATION

All judges in the Civil Trial Delay Reduction Program agree that parties should consider using Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) to settle their cases. To tell the court you will use ADR:

- Choose ADR on the Case Management Form (CM-110);
- File a Stipulation and Order to Attend ADR and Continue First Case Management Conference 90-Days (local court form); or
- Agree to ADR at your first court appearance.

Questions? Call (925) 957-5787, or go to www.cc-courts.org/adr

#### MEDIATION

Mediation is often faster and less expensive than going to trial. Mediators help people who have a dispute talk about ways they can settle their case. Parties call or visit the ADR Programs office to get a list of mediators. After parties have agreed on a mediator, they must write a summary (5 pages or less) explaining the facts, legal arguments, and legal authority for their position. They must send this summary to the other parties and the mediator at least 5 court days before mediation starts.

ALL parties and attorneys must go to mediation. Mediation can be held whenever and wherever the parties and the mediator want, as long as they finish before the court deadline. In some kinds of court cases, parties have the chance to mediate in the courthouse on their trial day.

Most mediators begin by talking with the parties together, helping them focus on the important issues. The mediator may also meet with each party alone. Mediators often ask parties for their ideas about how to settle the case. Some mediators tell the parties how much money they think a case is worth, or tell them what they think might happen if the case went to trial. Other mediators help the parties decide these things for themselves. No matter what approach a mediator takes, decisions about settling a case can only be made when all the parties agree.

If the parties go through the court ADR program, mediators do not charge fees for the first half hour spent scheduling or preparing for mediation. They also do not charge fees for the first two hours of mediation. If parties need more time, they must pay that person's regular fees. Some mediators ask for a deposit before mediation starts. Mediators who do this must give back whatever is left after counting the time he or she spent preparing for or doing the mediation. A party whose court fees have been waived (cancelled) may ask if their mediation fees or deposit can be waived.

If parties agree about how they will settle their case, they can choose to keep it private, write it up as a contract, or ask the judge to make it a court order. What parties say and agree to in mediation is confidential (private).

#### PRIVATE MEDIATION

Private mediation works in the same way as judicial mediation, but the parties do not go through the ADR Programs office. Parties choose a mediator on their own, and pay the mediator's normal fees.

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#### TEMPORARY JUDGE

Some parties want a trial, but want to choose who will decide the case and when the trial will take place. Parties can agree on an attorney that they want the court to appoint as a temporary judge for their case. (See Article 6, Section 21 of the State Constitution and Rule 2.830 of the California Rules of Court.) Temporary judges have nearly the same authority as a superior court judge to conduct a trial and make decisions. As long as the parties meet the court deadline, they can schedule the trial at their own and the temporary judge's convenience.

Each of the temporary judges on the court's panel has agreed to serve at no charge for up to 5 court days. If the parties need more time, they must pay that person's regular fees. All parties and their lawyers must attend the trial, and provide a copy of all briefs or other court documents to the temporary judge at least two weeks before the trial. These trials are similar to other civil trials, but are usually held outside the court. The temporary judge's decision can be appealed to the superior court. There is no option for a jury trial. The parties must provide their own court reporter.

#### SPECIAL MASTER

A special master is a private lawyer, retired judge, or other expert appointed by the court to help make day-to-day decisions in a court case. The special master's role can vary, but often includes making decisions that help the discovery (information exchange) process go more smoothly. He or she can make decisions about the facts in the case. Special masters can be especially helpful in complex cases. The trial judge defines what the special master can and cannot do in a court order.

Special masters often issue both interim recommendations and a final report to the parties and the court. If a party objects to what the special master decides or reports to the court, that party can ask the judge to review the matter. In general, the parties choose (by stipulation) whom they want the court to appoint as the special master, but there are times (see California Code of Civil Procedure Section 639), when the court may appoint a special master or referee without the parties' agreement. The parties are responsible to pay the special master's regular fees.

#### COMMUNITY MEDIATION SERVICES

Mediation Services are available through non-profit community organizations. These low-cost services are provided by trained volunteer mediators. For more information about these programs contact the ADR Program at (925) 957-5787

STREET ADDRESS: 725 COURT 5 ! REET	<u></u>
MAILING ADDRESS:	
CITY AND ZIP CODE: MARTINEZ, CA 94553-1233	
BRANCH NAME: CONTRA COSTA	
PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: JOYCE	CASE NUMBER:
DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: SALLIE MAE	C0801489
PROOF OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS	Ref. No. or File No.:
(Separate proof of service is required for each party served.	)
<ol> <li>At the time of service I was at least 18 years of age and not a party to this action.</li> <li>I served copies of:</li> </ol>	
a. X summons b. X complaint c. Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) package d. X Civil Case Cover Sheet (served in complex cases only) e. Cross-complaint f. X other (specify documents): COURT DOCUMENTS; NOTICE OF CASE MANAGE 3. a. Party served (specify name of party as shown on documents served): SALLIE MAE, INC., A CORPORATION	GEMENT CONFERENCE
b. X Person (other than the party in item 3a) served on behalf of an entity or as an authoritem 5b on whom substituted service was made) (specify name and relationship of JUAN DE PABLO, AGENT FOR SERVICE	
4. Address where the party was served: 818 WEST 7TH ST LOS ANGELES, CA 90017	
5. I served the party (check proper box) a. X by personal service. I personally delivered the documents listed in item 2 to the pareceive service of process for the party (1) on (date): 06/11/2008 (2) at (time): 02:4	
b. by substituted service. On (date): at (time): I left the documents listed in item 2 in the presence of (name and title or relationship to person indicated in item 3b):	with or
(1) (business) a person at least 18 years of age apparently in charge at the office person to be served. I informed him or her of the general nature of the paper	
(2) (home) a competent member of the household (at least 18 years of age) at the abode of the party. I informed him or her of the general nature of the papers.	
(3) (physical address unknown) a person at least 18 years of age apparently in address of the person to be served, other than a United States Postal Service her of the general nature of the papers.	n charge at the usual mailing e post office box. I informed him or
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(5) attach a declaration of diligence stating actions taken first to attempt personal	sonal service.

PETITIONER: JOYCE	CASE NUMBER:
RESPONDENT: SALLIE MAE	C0801489
c. by mail and acknowledgment of receipt of service. I mailed the shown in item 4, by first-class mail, postage prepaid,	documents listed in item 2 to the party, to the address
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(3) with two copies of the Notice and Acknowledgment of Recome. (Attach completed Notice and Acknowledgement of Recome.	eceipt.) (Code Civ. Proc., § 415.30.)
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Additional page describing service is attached.  The "Notice to the Person Served" (on the summons) was completed as	follows:
<ul> <li>a. as an individual defendant.</li> <li>b. as the person sued under the fictitious name of (specify):</li> <li>c. as occupant.</li> </ul>	
d. X On behalf of (specify): SALLIE MAE, INC., A CORPORATIO under the following Code of Civil Procedure section:	N .
X       416.10 (corporation)       □       41         □       416.20 (defunct corporation)       □       41	5.95 (business organization, form unknown) 6.60 (minor)
	6.70 (ward or conservatee) 6.90 (authorized person)
416.50 (public entity) 41	5.46 (occupant)
<ul> <li>7. Person who served papers</li> <li>a. Name: David Garcia - Janney &amp; Janney Attorney Service, In</li> <li>b. Address: 1545 Wilshire Blvd. #311 Los Angeles, CA 90017</li> <li>c. Telephone number: (213) 628-6338</li> <li>d. The fee for service was: \$ 45.00</li> <li>e. I am:</li> </ul>	<b>c.</b>
(1) not a registered California process server. (2) exempt from registration under Business and Professions Cod (3) registered California process server: (i) owner x employee independe (ii) Registration No.: 140 (iii) County: Los Angeles	de section 22350(b).  Int contractor.
3. X I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Calif	fornia that the foregoing is true and correct.
or  9. I am a California sheriff or marshal and I certify that the foregoing	is true and correct.
Date: <b>06/12/2008</b>	
Janney & Janney Attorney Service, Inc. 1545 Wilshire Blvd. #311 Los Angeles, CA 90017 (213) 628-6338	
David Garcia	, that I am
(NAME OF PERSON WHO SERVED PAPERS/SHERIFF OR MARSHAL)	(SIGNATURE)

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